

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

TRIBAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT - “Rajiv Vidya Deewena” Pre-Matric Scholarships for S.T. students studying in Class IX and X for the year 2012-13 - Orders - Issued.

TRIBAL WELFARE (EDN) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Ms. No. 18

Dated:12-02-2014.

Read the following:

1. Govt. D.O. Lr. No. 19012/14/2008 - Education Dt. 10-9-2012 of Joint Secretary, Govt. of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, New Delhi.
2. Govt. Memo No. 12580/TW. Edn. 1/ 2012-1, Dt.26-9-2012 of Principal Secretary to Govt. (TW).
3. This Office Lr. Rc.No. J2/8431/2012, Dt. 26-10-2012 addressed to the Govt.
4. From the Under Secretary to the Govt. of India, New Delhi, Letter No. 20015/172012 - Education dated. 25-2-2013.

ORDER:

1. Government with a view to support parents of ST children for education of their wards studying in classes IX and X so that the incidence of drop-out, especially in the transition from the elementary to the secondary stage is minimized, and to improve participation of ST children in classes IX and X of the Pre-Matric stage, so that they perform better and have a better chance of progressing to the post-matric stage of education, hereby introduce the “Rajiv Vidya Deewena Scheme” under which Pre-Matric Scholarships for Class IX & X to all ST students pursuing studies in schools run by the Government, local bodies such as Mandal, Zilla Parishad, Municipalities or schools aided by the Government, Tribal Welfare Ashram Schools, Hostels, Gurukulam Schools, Mini Gurukulam Schools, KGBV Schools and also under Best Available Schools Scheme. Vide reference cited above detailed instructions were issued for initiating preparatory actions.
2. Pre-matric Scholarships under the “Rajiv Vidya Deewena Scheme” shall be granted to all eligible ST students in classes IX & X subject to the following conditions:-
 - i) Student should belong to Scheduled Tribe and shall produce a Caste Certificate issued through “Mee - Seva” Counters (Digitally Signed Certificates).
 - ii) His / Her Parent / Guardian’s income should not exceed 2.00 lakh per annum. The income Certificate shall be obtained from the Mee - Seva Counter (Digitally Signed Certificates).
 - iii) He /She should not be getting any other Centrally-funded Pre-Matric Scholarship.
 - iv) He/She should be a regular, full time student studying in a Government School or in a School run by Local bodies such as Mandal Praja Parishad, Zilla Praja Prarishad, Municipalities/ Municipal Corporations or any school aided by the Government, Tribal Welfare Ashram Schools, Hostels, Gurukulam Schools, Mini Gurukulam Schools, KGBV Schools and also under Best Available Schools Scheme.
 - v) Scholarship for studying in any class will be available for only one year. If a student has to repeat a class, she / he would not get scholarship for that class for a second (or subsequent) year.
3. The value of scholarship includes the following for complete duration of the course:
 - i) Scholarship and other grant.
 - ii) Additional allowance for students with disabilities studying in private un-aided recognized schools.

Rates of scholarship and other grant will be as follows:

Item	Day Scholars	Hostellers
Scholarship (Rs.p.m) (for 10 months)	150	350
Books and Ad hoc Grant (Rs.p.a)	750	1000

4. The Government proposed to utilize the pre-matric scholarship to the hostellers (ST boarders studying class IX and X in Tribal Welfare Hostels, TW Ashram Schools, APTW Residential Schools, Kasturba Balika Vidyalayas, Best Available Schools and Hyderabad Public Schools) over and above the scholarship under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS).

5. The amounts are proposed to be utilized as follows:

- a) The pre-matric scholarships to the class IX and class X boarders will be credited to the hostel account of the institutions concerned.
- b) The amount is proposed to be utilized in the following manner:

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Annual entitlement (amount in rupees)</i>	<i>Proposed utilization (amount in rupees)</i>	<i>Intended purpose</i>
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Scholarship @ 350/- per month for 10 months	3500	1500	To be released to student account every month for 10 months.
			2000	For any of the following as decided by the pre-matric scholarships committee from time to time: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excursions / exposure visits. • Tea / milk / additional diet during public exams. • Emergency medical expenditure. • Hiring transport during exam. • Arranging tutors / special coaching for class IX and X.
2.	Books / Adhoc grants	1000	300	Additional reading material.
			300	Additional learning material such as notebooks, graph books, map pointing books etc.
			400	Innovative scheme on education.

c) There shall be a committee in each institution to monitor the expenditure under the above head as per the above breakup. The committee will be known as PRE-MATRIC SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE and it consists of:

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Member</i>	<i>Responsibility</i>
1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principal / Headmaster • In case of hostels, a Headmaster of a school having maximum number of boarders as student. 	Chairman
2.	HWO / Deputy Warden	Convenor
3.	2 ST parents (preferably mothers as nominated by DTWO / DD, TW from out of a list of 10 names furnished by Principal / HM / HWO in the beginning of the academic year)	Members
4.	2 student representatives as nominated by the	Members

	Principal / Headmaster	
5.	2 Teachers	Members

- d) The committee shall meet once in every quarter, not less than two times a year and record their minutes in a register.
- e) Wherever there is an expenditure, the HWO / Deputy Warden shall furnish the bills along with relevant vouchers to the committee for their approval and after approval the record shall be maintained carefully for the purpose of annual statutory audit.
- f) Project Officer / Deputy Director, Tribal Welfare will ensure that guidelines are followed and amount used according to guidelines in a transparent manner.

6. Bank Account:

Each student shall have a bank account in his/her name from any of the nationalized banks. Students who are minors shall have a joint account in the name of the student and mother / father / guardian as the case may be.

7. The bank account shall be linked to the Aadhar number of the student to enable scholarship transfer. Linkage of the Aadhar Number with the Bank Account will be done by the Manager of the Bank concerned on production of Aadhar Number by the student / parent.

8. Duration and Renewal of Awards:

- i. The scholarship will be payable for 10 months in an academic year.
- ii. The award once made will continue subject to good conduct and regularity in attendance. It will be renewed for Class X after the student passes Class IX.

9. The Pre-Matric Scholarship in respect of Hostel Students shall be remitted to the account of the Hostel Warden and the Dietary Charges shall be suitably adjusted. Detailed instructions shall be given later.

10. **Applications for Scholarships to be Online:** Student desirous of availing Pre-Matric Scholarships under Rajiv Vidya Deewana Scheme shall apply online at <http://epass.cgg.gov.in> and click on the Pre-Matric Scholarships for registration form and submit the following details.

- a. Student details with Name and Address of the School.
- b. Parental details with Address.
- c. Aadhar linked Bank Account Number with IFSC Code, Bank Name and Bank branch.
- d. Scan and upload Caste, Income Certificate as issued by the Mee-Seva Kendra (certificate other than those issued by Mee - Seva shall not be accepted).
- e. Scan and upload Aadhar Card No. & the Aadhar document.
- f. Aadhar linked Bank Account, pass book to be Scanned and Uploaded (only first stage). The Bank Account shall be in the Name of the Student along with the Mother / Father / Guardian in case the student is a minor.
- g. Scan and Upload a Photograph.

11. The duly filled in application shall be downloaded and copies of all documents as given in e-pass shall be attached to the Application and submitted to the School Head Master.

12. Each student must give a declaration that he is not in receipt of any stipend/ scholarship from State Government or Central Government.

13. The Head Master of the School shall verify all the detail of the Application and countersign the Application. He shall also certify that the Student is not receiving any other Scholarship from the State or the Central Government.

14. All the Applications of the Students shall be forwarded to the local Hostel Warden of the Tribal Welfare Department.

15. The Hostel Welfare Officer in whose jurisdiction the school is located shall be the verification officer for all students applications received from the school under the Rajiv Vidya Deewana Scheme.

16. Verification of the Students by the Hostel Welfare Officer shall be done by authenticating the fingerprint of the Student with the UIDA online. For this purpose, the Hostel Welfare Officer shall first assess the “Best Finger Detection” (BFD) for online authentication and use such finger with the BFD for online authentication with the Aadhar network (UIDA).

17. Scholarship Applications of only such students who have been authenticated online shall be processed for scholarship. Therefore HWO's and Head Masters are requested to ensure that the Aadhar Number is entered correctly.

18. The District Tribal Welfare Officer / Deputy Director, Tribal Welfare of the District shall process only the Online Authenticated Applications for payment of Pre-Matric Scholarships, in respect of Hostel Students, shall be remitted in the Accounts of Hostel Warden in which the student is residing and suitable dietary charges made for which detailed instructions to be issued in due course.

19. The Commissioner, Tribal Welfare shall ensure that adequate steps are initiated to:

- a. Map all authorized schools / hostels to hostel welfare officers.
- b. Impart training to headmasters/hostel welfare officers and ATWOS on the online system.
- c. Ensure that all the Hostel Welfare Officers undertake Physical verification by the process of Online Authentication with UIDA.
- d. Ensure that all District Officers proactively co-ordinate with the concerned departments for verification and sanction of pre-matric scholarships.
- e. Ensure that the online system is put in place by the centre for good governance and has a full fledged help line for assistance to users.

20. The Administration of the "Rajiv Vidya Deewena" shall be fully online and managed and operated by the Centre for good governance.

21. All payment under this scheme will be through the Aadhar authentication frame work and encashable by the students through the "Micro ATM" operated by Business Correspondents of Banks.

22. A student can withdraw the amount through the Micro ATM by online fingerprint authentication with the UIDA. They can also draw the amount through their ATM Cards where available.

23. The expenditure under the scheme "Rajiv Vidya Deewena" shall be debited to the following Head of Account:-

- 2225- Welfare of SCs, STs, OBCs
- 02- Welfare of Scheduled Tribes.
- 277- Education
- 10- CSS
- SH (17) - Pre-Matric Scholarships under Rajiv Vidya Deewena
- 340 - Scholarships and Stipends.

24. Copy of this order is available on internet and can be accessed at address <http://www.ap.gov.in/goir>.

23. This order is issued with the concurrence of the Finance (Expr.ST) Dept., vide their U.O. No. 64/7/A1/Expr.BCW/TW/2014, dated.22 -01-2014.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**Dr.A. VIDYA SAGAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (TW)**

To

The Principal Secretary to Govt., School Education Department.

The Principal Secretary to Govt., Finance (Expr.) SW.

The Director-General, Centre for Good Governance, AP, Hyd.

(for updating the e-PASS website)

The Commissioner of Tribal Welfare, AP, Hyd.

The Project Officers of ITDAs / DDs (TW) / DTWOS of Non ITDA Districts in the State
(through Commissioner of Tribal Welfare, Hyderabad)

All the DEOs in the State (through Commissioner of Tribal Welfare, Hyderabad).

All the Project Directors of Rajiv Vidya Mission in the State (through CTW, AP, Hyd.)

All the District Treasury officers (through CTW, AP, Hyd.)

Copy to:

All the District Collectors in the State.
P.S to Minister for Tribal Welfare.
P.S to Minister for School Education.
P.S. to Minister for Finance.
P.S. to Spl. Secretary to C.M.
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